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Mr. W. J. McLellan  
St. Louis Park Office

Indianapolis

C. B. Edwards

November 4, 1940

E. D. JONES - WELL WATER

cc-Mr. H. R. Horner, Reilly Lab.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letters of October 14th and 31st on this subject. We did not understand that you desired a response to your first letter. We are not at fault and our plant cannot be held responsible for any contamination of Mr. Jones's well. We are now following out the suggestions of the Board of Health of the State of Minnesota with respect to our drainage system and that is as far as we can go. *By* You state it is undoubtedly decayed vegetable matter that is responsible for the trouble.

We have had these complaints for years and Mr. Jones's is no different than any of the others. We are confident that none of them has been caused by our operation. You have a very important piece of evidence in the statement of Ole Peterson that some of the wells in this vicinity had the same odor and taste before we purchased the property. This statement should be drawn up in writing, signed by Ole Peterson and notarized so it can be used at some later time.

We will take the same position with respect to Mr. Jones's complaint as we have in other cases of this kind.

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REPUBLIC CREOSOTING COMPANY

*C. B. Edwards*

Encl. to Mr. Horner - Mr. McLellan's letters of October 14 &amp; 31st

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